Tenure of appointment of Rao Bahadur T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.

100. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) whether Rao Bahadur T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar's tenure was not extended till the end of the Northern India Tour of His Highness;

(b) when does his term come to a close?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Yes.

(b) 21st January 1934.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Is Mr. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar in service now?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—His term expired on the 21st January 1934.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is he still in service?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—He is not in service. He has applied for one month's leave, which he is entitled to get under the existing rules. But I am not sure whether the leave has been granted.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Under the existing rules for how many days' leave he is entitled?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I said that orders have not yet been passed. He stated that he is eligible for 31 days' leave.

Mr. T. K. Nayar.—As his term expired on 21st January and no orders have been passed in connection with his leave, is he still in Government employ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—He will be deemed to be in Government employ provided of course the leave is granted.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Will he be out of service on the 22nd February?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The leave is only for 31 days.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Therefore he must be out of service on the 22nd February.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—That is what what I said.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is it a fact he is engaged in preparing an account?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is he doing it as a servant of the Government or he is doing it on any other condition?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—According to the original order his term was to expire on the 14th January. And when the term was extended by one week he was told that he must finish the account within that period.

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Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Did he ask for permission to do the work?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—He has been told to do the work.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Did he ask?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I do not think that he has asked. On a previous occasion such an account has been prepared.

Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—May I know when this period of animated suspense will expire?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I do not think there is any question of suspense.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—How long has he been at this work of preparing accounts?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The Hon'ble Members are confusing or mistaking one thing from the other. The accounts of expenditure has already been prepared and the vouchers and bills have been sent to the Comptroller of Accounts. The other account is a descriptive account of the tour, where His Highness stayed, etc. His term of office expired on the 14th of January and then the Government told him that his term of office as Chief Camp Officer will be extended by one week and during that period he must finish the descriptive accounts.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Has he finished the accounts within the one week?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I do not think he has.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—So long as he has not finished this account he will be retained in service. Is it not?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—That does not follow. If by chance he was not able to do it while he was in office he will do it while he is not the Chief Camp Officer.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Is he entitled to the leave?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—There are the Standing Orders and the C. S. R. on the subject.

Mr. P. S. Kesavan Nambudiri.—May I know what sort of account he is preparing?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—A descriptive account of the tour.

Mr. P. S. Kesavan Nambudiri.—Is it a piece of literature?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It is an official report.

Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—May we take it that this 31 days is the maximum time?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I have explained the matter.

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Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—We want to know for certain when the time will expire.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—He has applied for leave. Orders have not yet been passed. If favourable orders are passed he will be on leave at the end of which he will retire.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—When did he apply for leave?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—A few days back.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—May I know under what rule?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Under the C. S. R.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—What is the delay in passing orders?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It is not an application for casual leave. It will always take some time to pass orders on a privilege leave application.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Were not His Highness' whereabouts reported in the papers?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I think there were some occasional reports.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Then where is the necessity for this descriptive account?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—That is a different question.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Under what section of the C. S. R. has he applied for leave?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I want notice.

Mr. K. T Mathew.—Is he now enjoying his leave? We have passed the 21st of January and no order has been passed. Has his service ended? How can he be considered to be on leave unless the Government give some retrospective effect to the orders to be passed?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I shall explain. If favourable orders are passed he will be considered on leave. If the orders are unfavourable he will be considered to have retired from the 21st.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to consider the anxiety exhibited here at the time of granting the leave?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I do not think that will be a relevant matter to be considered.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—Suppose you don't grant him leave?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Then he will get pay only up to the afternoon of the 21st.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Will the orders be passed before the 21st February?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

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